पंजाब में आम चुनाव

1110. **श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय :** क्या विधि, न्याय और कंपनी कार्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार ने पंजाब में आम चुनाव कराने के बारे में कोई निर्णय लिया है;

(ख) यदि नहीं, तो यह निर्णय कब तक लिये जाने की संभावना है; और

(ग) वहां चुनाव प्रक्रिया कब तक पूरी हो जाएगी ?

संसदीय कार्य मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री और विधि, न्याय तथा कम्पनी कार्य मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री रंगराजन कुमारमंगलम्) : (क) से (ग) पंजाब में निर्वाचन 15 फरवरी, 1992 से पूर्व कराए जाने का प्रस्ताव है। यद्यपि पंजाब में निर्वाचन कराए जाने के लिए अभी कोई तारीखें निश्चित नहीं की गई हैं।

Participation in power generation by private companies and multinational's

1111. SHRI G. G. SWELL: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 468 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 26th November, 1991 and state:

(a) what incentives are being offered to the private compariies/mpltinationals which have been invited to. participate in energy production in the country; and

(b) what has been their response so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) A copy of the Gazette notification containing the details of the incentives for private entre-prenures participation in the policy to encourage private sector participation in Generation transmission and distribution is amend herewith. *[See* Appendix CIXI, Annexure No. 28],

(b) There are at present six on going private sector projects for capacity addition of 1040 MW (Hydel—150 MW; Thermal gas-390 MW; Thermal Coal— 500 MW). CEA has also cleared yet another capacity of 500 MW of thermal coal which is awaiting approval for financial tie-up. State Governments/SEBs and these agencies have advertised 21,558 MW projects for implementing by private enterprises. Private enterpreneurs including multinational have evinced interest in implementing projects for a capacity of 5873 MW.

Further, a hydel project of 12 MW is being put up by a private sector firm in Kerala. Government of Bihar and Tamil Nadu Electricity Board have issued clearance under Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948 for thermal capacity addition of 500 MW each on coal and lignite based projects respectively. M.P. Government have indicated that they will be entrusting a capacity of 420 MW of thermal coal based project *to* a private firm. Government of Himachal Pradesh have indicated that they have concluded a MOU for implementation of 300 MW with a private firm. Further, they have also finalised handing over 2 projects of a total capacity of 92.5 MW to private sector enterprises. TIDCO have indicated that they have arrived at an agreement with a private firm for lignite based capacity of 1500 MW. Various other proposals have been received from other State Governments and directly Private-Sector firms. The main of which is the establishment of 1500 MW of private sector in Orissa and 210 MW in Tamil Nadu. There are also other proposals for putting up lignite based stations of 210 MW each in Tamil Nadu and Rajasthan respectively in the joint sector.